REGULAR MEETING OF COMMON COUNCIL

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Chippewa Falls was held on Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Gregory Hoffman presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

Council members present: Jack Covill, Brian Flynn, Jason Anderson, Robert Hoekstra, Dennis Doughty, Susan Zukowski. Absent: Greg Dachel.

City staff present: City Administrator Ron Singel, Police Chief Wayne Nehring, Fire Chief Tom Larson.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u>

(a) Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty, all present voting aye, to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of December 16. Motion carried.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) The following persons spoke against the sand processing plant and asked the Council to reconsider their vote from the last meeting and possibly put this matter to referendum: Dave Martineau, 318 Irvine Court; Pat Popple, 561 Summit Avenue; Jan Blair, 228 Oak Knoll Drive; Tom Chisolm, 316 W. Spruce Street.

These citizens asked for the Council to consider more input from taxpayers due to the dollar amount involved in this project. They also calculated approximate amounts that the City might earn from taxes after six years as well as what the sand company might earn during the time the City is not collecting taxes. Comments and concerns from these citizens included truck noise; diesel exhaust; millions of dollars in road repairs because of increased truck traffic from this project; the look of towers and not wanting the City to be known as the "sand plant town"; and concerns of taking care of what is left of the Earth.

(b) Rick Flynn, 1304 Perry Street, Chippewa Falls, thanked Fire Chief Tom Larson and the City for maintaining the Class 3 Fire Rating.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

REPORTS

None

APPLICATIONS

- (a) Motion by Doughty/Anderson, all present voting aye, to approve the thirteen Operator (Bartender) licenses as recommended by the Police Department. Motion carried.
- **(b) Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty, all present voting aye,** to approve the Application of Northfield Restaurant Corporation for a Class B Beer/Liquor License for Pizza Hut, 225 Prairie View Road. **Motion carried.** Attorney Dave Hass and Agent James Gerlach were present to answer council questions.

PETITIONS

None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS None

MAYOR'S REPORT

(a) Mayor Hoffman was pleased to report that the land sale between the City of Chippewa Falls and Chippewa Crossing Partners, LLC was completed in December and the City received funds of almost \$792,000. He asked the Council to consider using some of these funds as well as funds to be received in 2009 to complete the Alexander Street extension project.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- (a) Motion by Anderson/Flynn to approve the minutes of the Committee No. 2, Labor Negotiations, Personnel Policy and Administration meeting of December 17. Said motion passed after the following roll call vote: Aye Anderson, Flynn, Covill, Hoekstra, Zukowski; Nay Doughty.
- **(b) Motion by Flynn/Zukowski** to approve the minutes of the Committee No. 3, Transportation, Construction, Public Safety and Traffic meeting of December 17. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

REPORT OF OFFICERS

(a) Ron Singel, City Administrator, indicated the City Police & Fire Commission and the Lake Hallie Police Commission have scheduled a joint meeting for January 22 to listen to Chief Dan Vergin of the Everest Metro Police Department discuss police department consolidations. Administrator Singel also congratulated Fire Chief Tom Larson on the City receiving a Class 3 ISO rating. Chief Larson distributed the Public Protection Summary Report and thanked the Council for their support.

ORDINANCES None

RESOLUTIONS None

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW None

CLAIMS

(a) The Claims Committee met at 6:00 PM before the regular meeting to review the claims for payment by the various departments of the city. **Motion by Doughty/Zukowski** to approve the payment of the claims listed below. **After a roll call vote**, said motion passed unanimously.

City General Claims and

Authorized/Handwritten Claims: \$47,762.83

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hoekstra/Zukowski, all present voting aye, to adjourn at 6:54 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by Lynne Bauer, City Clerk